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Between Graphic Objects

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 11, 1996, please amend this application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of operating a computer aided design system in presumptive mode, comprising the steps of:

[floating] moving a selected graphic object relative to a graphic pointing symbol;

determining when the selected graphic object is within a predetermined proximity of an underlying graphic object;

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